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TO : Chief, Industrial Division, ORR

FROM : Chief, Producers Equipment Branch, ORR

SUBJECT: Monthly Report, December 1959

DATE: 4 January 1960

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due St/PR - May 19

1. Status of Branch Projects

✓ a. Project No. 32.2115, Participation of the Soviet Rolling Stock Industry in the Guided Missile Program, Analyst: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
 Another section has been added on estimated requirements of rolling stock for a rail-borne ICBM missile program. Draft now being coordinated in S/TR.

✓ b. Project No. 32.2119, Trends in the Production of Motor Vehicles in the USSR, Analyst: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
 At the printers.

✓ c. Project No. 32.2364, Production of Large Gas Turbines, Steam Turbines and Hydroturbines in the Sino-Soviet Bloc, Analyst: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
 Undergoing branch review.

✓ d. Project No. 32.2365, The Motor Vehicle Industries of the European Satellites, Analyst: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
 Undergoing branch review.

✓ e. Project No. 32.2366, The Construction Equipment Industry of the USSR, Analyst: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
 Editing in St/P completed. Being typed.

✓ f. Project No. 32.2367, Oilfield Equipment in the USSR, Analyst: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
 Research under way.

✓ g. Project No. 32.2466, Value of Output of Coal Mining Machinery in USSR, Analyst: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
 Further research being done. Due to D/I: 1 Feb 60.

✓ h. Project No. 32.2471, Seriality of Production, Analyst: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
 Being reviewed by Chief, I/GM.

✓ i. Project No. 32.2736, Production of Metallurgical Equipment in USSR, Analyst: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
 Research in progress. Due to St/PR: 16 May 60.

✓ j. Project No. 32.2737, The Soviet Precision Mechanisms Industry, Analyst: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
 Research in progress. Due to St/PR: 15 Jun 60.

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✓ k. Project No. 34.1558, Production of Chemical Equipment in the USSR, Analyst: [REDACTED]. Resubmitted to D/I 22 December 1959. Chief, E, has approved it for editing and passed to St/P.

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✓ 1. Project No. 34.1927, Production of Metal Cutting Machine Tools in East Germany, Analyst: [REDACTED] Being revised. 25X1A9a *True Jan 59*

2. Status of Support Projects

✓ a. Project No. 10.2686, Briefing Handbook of Selected Economic Data. Revisions to handbooks forwarded to St/PB/A.

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✓ b. Project No. 20.2602, Soviet Nuclear Energy Program. [REDACTED] worked part time on this during December.

✓ c. Project No. 30.2227, China NIS. Contribution on bearings completed, reviewed, and forwarded to D/I. Five other contributions in progress, all of which will be completed in January.

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✓ d. Project No. 48.2667, COCOM Support. Considerable support provided by the branch on Item 1016, Grinding heads and spindle assemblies. Office of Secretary of Defense challenged position taken by CIA in fact sheet that Bloc countries are producing these items and asked that CIA show its sources at a meeting of the Technical Task Group. We refused, but suggested instead that the item be discussed at a meeting of the EIC Subcommittee on Industrial Equipment. This was done, and [REDACTED] I/PE, presented the evidence of Soviet production. An OSD representative gave the negative evidence. The meeting was inconclusive. The CIA fact sheet remained unchanged, but OSD maintained that CIA had still not proved actual production of these items in the Bloc. Since the meeting, searches have been made in SR, IR, the Library, and FDD in an attempt to find evidence to bolster the CIA position; but nothing significant has been uncovered that was not already in I/PE files. [REDACTED]

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3. Relations with Other Agencies

a. Other Agencies

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(1) [REDACTED] furnished information to [REDACTED] on turbines destined for Communist China.

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(2) [REDACTED] furnished data to Army Map Service on Soviet shipments of excavators, tractors, and road machinery to Greece.

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(3) USIB Exchange Committee

(a) I/PE and I/GM jointly recommended an exchange with the USSR on the manufacturing of tractor drills and tractor cultivators, and recommended again (as was done in May 1959) an exchange in the field of railroad car manufacture. ✓

25X1A9a (b) Continued guidance was provided on the proposed trip of [REDACTED] (See monthly report for October 1959) to the USSR to visit construction machinery plants. ✓

b. Guidance for Collection of Intelligence

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(1) [REDACTED] provided information to DD/P on Soviet production of spectrometers and on our requirements in this field.

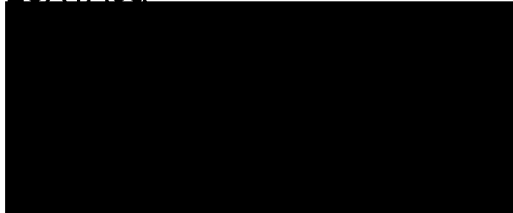
(2) A guide requirement on the USSR turbine industry, fourth in the current series of I/PE guide requirements, was submitted to St/I/R on 23 December.

4. Future Plans

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In February [REDACTED] is planning to visit several precision instrument plants in the New England area in connection with his project on the Soviet precision mechanisms industry.

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